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[1](#)1. The NATO accession protocols for Croatia and Albania have already been approved by both houses of the German Parliament and signed by President Horst Koehler. A notice to this effect was published in the German Legal Gazette on December [1](#)31. The only remaining step is for Germany to deposit the instruments of ratification in Washington.

[1](#)2. MFA NATO Office Director Bernhard Schlagheck told post January 30 that this final step would probably be carried out within the next two weeks, but in any case, no later than the end of February. He saw absolutely no obstacles or impediments to achieving this.
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